ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY 6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Clarence Rareshide P.O. Box 56275 New Orleans, LA 70156

November 7, 1994

Dear Clarence:

It was a pleasnt surprise to see you in St. Louis. It is fun to talk to an enthusiast.

When you spoke to me about Union Parish notes I forgot to ask if you could send me a photograph or good photocopy of any note or notes on the Planters Bank (Louisiana). I will apprecaite that very much. Haxby does not illustrate any.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

CLARENCE RARESHIDE ATTORNEY AT LAW

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June 2, 1995

Mr. Tom Czekanski Louisiana State Museum P.O. Box 2448 New Orleans, LA 70176-2448

Dear Mr. Czekanski:

I am sending you a copy of my letter to you of April 11, 1995 as I have not heard from you. Did you receive the book on paper money which I sent to you?

I hope you are making progress in getting the photocopies requested in my letter as these will be of great interest.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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14 June 1995

Dear Mr. Newman

Enclosed please find an abstract for the case concerning Bichot. I regret that this is all the information available on the man. I hope it proves helpful. Also enclosed is information related to the other card money which you will be receiving copies of.

Thank you very much for your patience in this matter. The book you forwarded is a splendid addition to the museums library. If I can be of further assistance please contact me.

Sincerely,

Thomas Czekanski

Curator of Science and Technology

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CLAIMS FILED BY THE CREDITORS OF JOSEPH ALIAS JUAN PAUTISTA BICHOT. A FUGITIVE FROM LOUISIANA. INVENTORY AND SALE OF HIS PROPERTIES.

The record shows that Juan Bautista Macarty, Pedro Surget, Nicolas Sarde, Pedro Portal and Antonio Jung, creditors of Joseph alias Juan Bautista Bichot filed a petition informing the Court that said Bichot had suddenly left this Province without settling his debts and had abandoned his house and balongings. Therefore for the security of their claims they asked the Court to have an inventory made of all the fugitive's properties and to confiscate them.

The Court granted the creditors' petition and the Judge himself proceeded to make the requested inventory in the presence of said creditors which disclosed that the fugitive owned various tools, some articles of clothing, provisions, household articles, furniture, one musket, etc., and 387 raw hides and one house and parcel of land situated on St. Peter Street. Once the inventory was concluded the Court placed the properties under the custody of Nicolas Fromentin who was appointed trustee.

The five above mentioned creditors and others who appeared afterwards filed their respective claim individually and then the said five creditors jointly asked the Court to proceed to the auction sale of the property, specifying that they had already arranged with Leonardo Mazange the sale of the hides which they (cont'd)

requested be awarded to him at one peso for each ox hide, four reales for each deer hide and one for each sheep hide. The Court granted this pet

requested be awarded to him at one peso for each ox hide, four reales for each deer hide and one real for each sheep hide. The Court granted this petition, the hides having been sold to Mazange and the other effects to various other persons, all of which yielded about 400 pesos. There were several hides which could not be sold because of their bad condition.

At this time appeared another creditor named Cadet Portal who filed a suit to recover the sum of 300 pesos which he claimed was due him as balance of the sum of 360 pesos for which he sold to Bichot the house appearing in the inventory. He presented as evidence the deed of sale and he asked the Court to order the auction sale of said house in order that his claim be satisfied in preference to the ones of the other creditors alleging that in accordance with law his was a priviledged claim.

The Court granted Portal's petition, but the record is incomplete and does not show whether the house was sold for whether any provisions were made to pay the creditors from the proceeds of the effects sold.



#24(a) #10 Date: 10 December 1990

To: Vaughn

From: Kim

Re: Translation of "Case Instigated by Miguel Bayud, Negro

Libre, Against Colonel Don Andres Almonester y Roxas concerning collection of a debt," 24 April 1793 [with

playing cards as evidence].

In general, Bayud petitioned a tribunal presided over by Governor Carondelet to force Almonester y Roxas to pay him 114 pesos. Don Andrés owed this sum in exchange for 57 days labor (works out to wages of two pesos per day) that Bayud performed by hauling a stock of materials in his cart from his plantation and other places to the construction site of the Cathedral ("Fabrica de la Parroquial mayor" -- edifice of the largest or main parish). Bayud presented proof of the labor performed and money owed in the form of eight promissary notes (Buenos or Bonos). The court took these cards as evidence in the case.

After several attempts (by going in person and leaving notes on the door of Don Andrés' abode) the notary finally dragged Don Andrés into court on 18 May 1790. Almonester y Roxas testified that of the eight vouchers presented on cards from a deck of cards, not more that two of them, for a total of nine days work, were valid. The others had been made to settle an account established twelve or thirteen years ago. Apparently Bayud had appealed to Don Andrés' generosity to ask for the loan of an African American slave who would work on Bayud's plantation sowing rice, putting up fences, and hauling the cart. At the time, Bayud had no help because his son, now (in 1793) twenty years old, was incapable of doing these tasks. Almonester y Roxas agreed that the said slave could work with Bayud's cart for so many days; six of the eight notes represent the days that the slave worked for Bayud, whose account was never settled. Don Andrés asserted that Bayud's demands for payment for several days use of his cart in connection with construction of the Cathedral were false because Bayud had made only four trips in order to transport four logs from Mr. Sigud's plantation to the Plaza [de Armas]. He agreed to pay Bayud for the nine days labor immediately. The case (or least that portion you gave me) ends at this point.

The promissary notes state the following number of work days (from top left down and top right down): twelve days, five days, six days, nine days, good for three days of the cart, eleven days, for five days, good for six days. I assume the notes "good for three days of the cart" and "good for six days" are the ones Almonester y Roxas agreed to pay.

cc: Tamra

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY 6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105 Mr. Jeff Rubin June 22, 1995 Louisiana State Museum 751 Charter St. New Orleans, LA 71076-2448 Dear Mr. Rubin: The photocopies of your card money are fascinating. appreciate your cooperation in sending the historical material you located and thank you. It is a privilege to study the matter. As I told you I would like to include a group of them in the Fourth Edition of The Early Paper Money of America which I have been asked to prepare. Since I was told some of the cards are in color I believe it would be desirable to have them published in The cards seem to be of French origin from the Fleur de lis on the king's chest and the names Charles and Argine. As you may know I do not receive any compensation for writing but try to be reimbursed only for my expenses. Would you therefore advise me what it would cost to take pictures in a color copier and how many cards can be taken in one picture. Naturally both sides will have to be taken of the selected cards. I am enclosing our check for the \$60 you requested and would like to know how much may apply to the color reproduction costs. I also enclose the application form as you requested. Please let me hear from you promptly and I will select the items to be pictured. Thank you. Sincerely, Eric P. Newman Ruber color throt cc: Tom Czekanski

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY 6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105 Mr. Jeff Rubin September 8, 1995 Louisiana State Museum P.O. Box 2448 New Orleans, LA 71076-2448 Dear Mr. Rubin: As you suggested I enclose a five dollar (\$5) check payable to Ridgeways for colored xerox pictures of the card money. I appreciate your cooperation in arranging this for us. Sincerely, Eric P. Newman

Grag Lamboury took place of Mr. Rubin.

11-16-95 EPN 230 pm Mr. Clem Unangst in How Orleans called. He wants you to call him at his resultance after 4:00 p.m. tolay . 504-288-6625 at present time he is at Louiseana Historical Contor. Dikn't wont to call of your officers He talked with you some time ago about paper money letals and he was to send you something. He has not sont any thing. He wants to talk to you again - not sure you would want what he has. Please

Call him.

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December 1, 1995

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Are St. Louis, MO 63105 Dear Eric Newman,

You called concarning cord money of colonial Louisiana that are intlearchires of the Louisiana State Huseum. The Huseum has thirty eight playing card "gromissary note" examples from the Spanish Era. For plate copies places write your requirements to K. Page at address below.

As mentioned additional publications on this subject fore been noted. The enclosed list with related page copies may be useful.

Sincerely

Clement W. Chrongst.

cc. Kathryn Page, Curator

Unangst



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- 1. E. Zay's Histoire Morétaire Des Colories Françaises.
 - Title page.
 - = PP 181-3 Ordinance, 14 Sept. 1735,
 - PP 184-7 Declaration, 27 Apr. 1744.
- 2. L.V. Huber's New Orleans: A Pictoral History.
 Item 61 (p3:21-2'Illustrates some of the
 Museum's cords).
- 3. D. J. Lemieux's -- A Study in French Colonial Administration.
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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY 6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105 Mr. Jeff Rubin December 12, 1995 Louisiana State Museum P.O. Box 2448 New Orleans, LA 71076-2448 Dear Mr. Rubin: I understand you were promoted and I congratulate you. certainly gave us good service. You were kind enough to have sent to me for publication in the fourth edition of Early Paper Money of America a color photocopy of card money belonging to the museum. You will notice in the enclosed black and white photocopy that the king has the left lower corner covered by the adjacent card and the upper right corner is off the edge. Would it be possible for your color photocopier to make one with the full face of the king showing. We paid for all of this but if you think we should pay another \$5 for a new print we will do so. Thank you for your cooperation. Happy holiday, Eric P. Newman

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Clement W. Unangst Louisiana State Museum P.O. Box 2448 New Orleans, LA 70176-2448

December 13, 1995

Dear Mr. Unangst:

Thank you very much for the reference items you sent on card money.

I was intrigued by the illustration of what is entitled "Card Money" but which is payable in "bon de caisse". The translation says "sample of bank note". How can I obtain a clean photocopy of the piece from the original French publication or is it clean enough in the English translation. I would like to include it in my book. This is on page 153 of the English translation of The Last Years of French Louisiana. Your photocopy came out very dark. Perhaps setting it for a lighter contrast will do the trick.

You have been very cooperative and I realize how much both of us must enjoy working as volunteers in the exciting periods of the past.

Sincerely yours,

Eric P. Newman



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Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society 6450 Cecil Avenue St. Louis, Mo. 63105

December 28, 1995

Dear Mr. Newman:

Your December 13, 1995 letter addressed to our volunteer Clement Unangst has been referred to me for reply.

Unfortunately, we are unable to fill your request for a clean photocopy of p. 153 of the English translation of The Last years of French Louisiana. We do not own this publication; nor do we own either of the pieces depicted on this page. Mr. Unangst borrowed the book from one of our local university libraries in order to include it on the suggested reading list enclosed in his December 1 reply to you. We suggest you procure a copy through the interlibrary loan department of your local library or write to the Center for Louisiana Studies, University of Southwest Louisiana, Lafayette, La. (see the title page included in Mr. Unangst's letter) in order to determine the repository holding this piece.

I am sorry we could not be of more assistance on this matter and wish you good luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Kathryn page

Curator of Maps and Manuscripts



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AN EXAMPLE from Coin World's files illustrates the type of paper money issued by the state of Louisiana.



Early paper money of Louisiana on exhibit at state university

By Michele Orzano COIN WORLD Staff

Early paper money of Louisiana is the centerpiece of a free, public exhibit titled "When Louisiana was Queen and Cotton was King" now on display at Louisiana State University's Hill Memorial Library in Baton Rouge.

The exhibit features more than 300 pieces of 19th century paper money tracing the engraver's art, Civil War history and the annals of finance in Louisiana.

Dr. Jules d'Hemecourt, curator of the display, selected and interpreted the notes and other items on display that bear witness to the state's transition from antebellum prosperity to the Civil War and through postwar financial depression.

Dr. d'Hemecourt teaches at LSU's Manship School of Mass Communication. He is a member of the United States Civil War Center and brings a wealth of historical research to the exhibit.

The notes on display range from early "make do" financial instruments, written out on a piece of paper or a simple form, to elaborately decorated notes and bonds that show the craft of the engraver at its height.

The display is a chronological tour that begins with early statehood, including notes in French and English issued by the city of New Orleans' three municipalities. More than two dozen banks were doing business in antebellum New Orleans. One example is from the Louisiana Bank or Banque de la Louisiane, formed in 1804—eight years before Louisiana joined the United States—and continued in existence until 1819. Another is a \$5 bilingual note—printed in French and English—dated 1814.

Notes from the Citizen's Bank (chartered in 1833) and Canal Bank (chartered in 1831) highlight the early banking period. The Citizen's Bank financed extensive development including a canal and a railroad. The Canal Bank financed the construction of a navigable canal from Rampart Street to Lake Pontchartrain.

Massive amounts of paper money were printed during the Civil War years. Of

Louisiana's 48 parishes, 42 issued their own notes during the war, as did towns, cities and numerous merchants across the state. On display is a complete denominational sequence from Pointe Coupee Parish along with notes from other parishes.

The state of Louisiana also issued its own currency. Two \$5 notes on display show an allegorical vignette of the South defeating the North — one was issued in Baton Rouge in 1862 and the other from Shreveport dated 1863.

Also on display are examples of notes issued by Louisiana cities and towns as well as merchants and vendors. A sampling of Confederate States of America notes and bonds are on display. The lowest denomination of CSA notes to circulate in Louisiana was 50 cents with the highest at \$1,000. Between 1861 and 1864, the CSA issued 70 major types of notes. There were also more than 175 distinct types of bonds issued by the CSA. Included in the display of CSA notes is an explanation of how Dixie got its name.

Notes and bonds issued during the years of Reconstruction as well as bonds issued for Confederate veterans and widows are also on display. After the Civil War, Southern states had a severe shortage of circulating currency. Many municipalities issued notes to supply their local areas with a means of conducting business.

The state of Louisiana also contributed three notes featuring Presidents Andrew Johnson (\$5), George Washington (\$10) and Thomas Jefferson (\$20), in an effort to alleviate the money shortage.

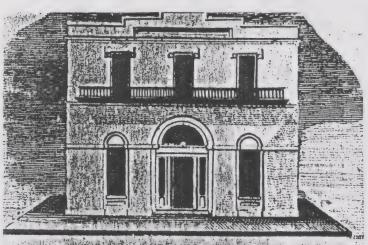
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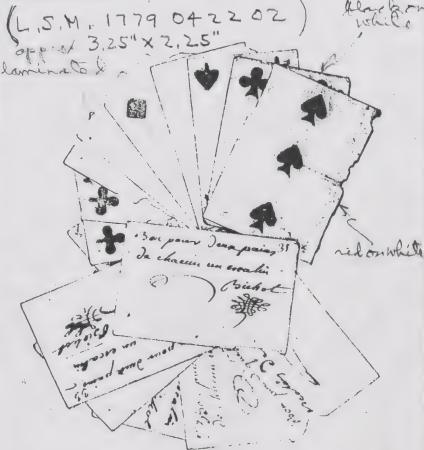


The Louising State Bank Royal Street New Orleans.

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59 New Orleans's banks have had a checkered history. Excessive capitalization, poor banking laws, the panic of 1837, the capture of the city and its long occupation during Reconstruction, the panics of 1873 and 1879, and the bank holiday of 1933 form vivid chapters in the century and a half of New Orleans banking. One of the most interesting old buildings still standing in the Vieux Carré is the Louisiana State Bank, seen here in 1821 at the corner of Royal and Conti streets (now Manheim Galleries). Built from the design of the eminent architect Benjamin H. B. Latrobe, it was chartered in 1818 with a capital of \$2 million. Very successfully operated, it withstood the panic of 1837 and went through the Civil War. It was converted into the State National Bank in 1870. From City Directory, 1821

60 Its checks bore vignettes of the steamer John Randolph and the pelican and her brood, the state emblem.

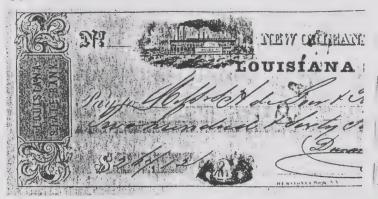


61 During earlier days, around 1780, there was a shortage of specie, which was being quickly gobbled up by traders and speculators. Paper currency of various kinds was used in its place, but since this often became worn and illegible through frequent handling, use was sometimes made of cards—even playing cards, which, as the backs were usually plain, could quickly be converted into legal tender by writing in the amounts over an official signature. The illustration depicts a curious example of the use of playing cards as merchandise "scrip," rather than ordinary currency. The cards are numbered, and bear on their backs an inscription entitling the bearer to receive

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(presumably from a bakery or storehouse) a stated quantity of bread of a given value. Most of them were signed "Bichot" and were good for two loaves of bread each worth one escalin (i.e., one "bit" or 12½ sous). Courtesy Louisiana State Museum

62 The Bank of Louisiana, chartered in 1824, issued an elaborate bank note, which featured a view of the bank building. Generously capitalized by the state and its stockholders, this bank, too, was successfully operated. In 1830, it had a paid-in capitalization of \$4 million and \$867,000 in specie on hand. Its handsome colonnaded office, still standing on Royal and Contistreets opposite the Louisiana State Bank building, was erected in 1826. The building is being converted for the Greater New Orleans Tourist and Convention Center.

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There was not enough hard currency in the treasury to meet the government's expenses for the first six months of 1733. In May of that year, Governor Bienville and "ordonnateur" Salmon recommended the use of bills of exchange to move the tobacco crop. 6

that the crown suggested on September 15, 1733, the issuence of card money similar to that already in use in New France with one exception: the cards would be considered at par with silver and bills of exchange at the royal warehouses. By this the French government hoped that the new medium would stabilize the price of merchandise and supplies. However, the home government, cautious not to further confuse the financial situation, ordered Bienville and Salmon to ascertain how the colonists would accept the new currency. About seven months later, on April 3, 1734, the colonial administrators reported that after examining conditions in the colony, they saw no reason why card money could not be issued. However, they recommended a delay of two to three years before putting the new currency into circulation for two reasons.

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THE LAST YEARS

OF

FRENCH LOUISIANA

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Center for Louisiana Studies University of Southwestern Louisiana Lafayette, Louisiana mont, Mazan, Raguet, [Jean-François] Huchet de Kernion, etc. Later this other letter was also handed to Kerlérec:

We, the undersigned businessmen, established in New Orleans, declare that it has become known to one of us that ill-intentioned persons had presented or caused to be presented to the Minister of Marine that Mr. de Kerlerec, our governor, hindered and harassed us in the conduct of our businesses in this province. We have had no part in such statements which are as indecent as they are slanderous. We declare that, far from complaining directly or indirectly about the sage and prudent administration of Mr. de Kerlerec, our governor, or of any act prejudicial to our business committed by him, we have only the highest praise for the protection of his good offices which he has granted us on all occasions during the course of the war which has just ended, both for the relief from suffering of inhabitants who were in need and for the advantages which have resulted for each of us. In virtue of which, we hasten to seize the occasion of expressing our most complete gratitude, etc. April 29, 1763

Braquier, L. Milhet, Caresse, Blache, Joseph Millet, La Forcade d'Argenton, [Gabriel] Fuselier de la Claire, ²⁵ Gaillardie, Baure, [Antoine Gilbert de] St. Maxent, ²⁶ [Henri] Voix, Olivier, [François] Caminade, Braquier, Jr., [Pierre] La Clêde [Liguest], ²⁷ [Denis] Braud, ²⁸ Raguet, [Jean-Arnould-Valentin] Bobé [Descloseaux], ²⁹ Lauthé, Frolio, Giraudeau, [Isaac] Monsanto, ³⁰ Viviat, Le Comte, Marmajou, Rivière,

- 25. [Annotator's note: Fuselier (1722-?), a New Orleans merchant, and, from 1770 to 1774, commandant of the Attakapas post.]
- 26. [Annotator's note: St. Maxent, a New Orleans merchant who later befriended and provided financial assistance to Spanish governor Antonio de Ulloa.]
- 27. [Annotator's note: La Clède-Liguest (1724?-1778), a native of Bedous, France, founded St. Louis, Missouri, in 1764.]
- 28. [Annotator's note: Braud, a native of Martinique, was given, in 1764, a printing monopoly in Louisiana. In October 1768, he printed a memorial containing the grievances of the Louisiana rebels against Governor Antonio de Ulloa.]
- 29. [Annotator's note: Bobé-Descloseaux had served as ad-interim ordonnateur from March 15, 1757 to April 15, 1758.]
- 30. [Annotator's note: Monsanto, a native of the Hague, established an unsuccessful mercantile business at Curaçoa in 1755, and moved to New Orleans two years later. He was temporarily exiled from the Crescent City in 1769 because of his Jewish faith.]

Goyan, [Pierre] Cádiz,31 Poulangrand.

We have seen, in the minister's letter of reprimand to Rochemore, that the last issuance of paper money had been severely criticized. Kerlérec had constantly pointed out the ever increasing number of cash bills in circulation. (There were then, in the colony, cash bills amounting to the respectable sum of 5,646,000 *livres*.) He complained also that the letters of exchange were reserved only for Rochemore's protegés.

This question of paper money, of card money, as it was called, and its conversion at certain times to letters of exchange drawn on the treasury of the Ministry of Marine, comes up so often and is of such great importance in the history of Louisiana, that we must furnish a few explanations on this subject.

We shall first give one of Rochemore's letters which gives a good explanation of the situation, and reveals his views on the question, at least at the moment he arrived.

... Bills of paper money, which are a sort of receipt given by the treasurer for purchases, or a statement of receipt of goods, until he can furnish letters of exchange to the suppliers, are defective in several respects. After a very short time in circulation, they become worn and torn, to the point that it is difficult, especially for the common people and Negroes, to determine their value. It is also certain that the paper on which they are printed seems somehow to depreciate them, to the point that individuals would be more restrained in their purchases and their other expenses, if they had only gold or silver money to pay for them; and the merchant would be satisfied with a smaller profit when selling to the crown or to individuals. However, the greatest inconvenience which necessarily results from this is the agio, 32 or trading of letters of exchange and silver specie from Spain, for this paper money which loses a great deal in discounts in the transaction. This agio has become a branch of the restricted commerce of Louisiana. A part of these bills, in circulation in the market place, which one could not convert to letters of exchange at the time of their being printed, because of the great expense, were the first motives. Their

- 31. [Annotator's note: Cádiz unsuccessfully attempted to smuggle slaves into Louisiana in 1768. Ulloa's opposition to Cádiz's venture was cited as one of the colonists' main grievances during the Rebellion of 1768.]
- 32. [Annotator's note: Agio is the difference between the face value and the real value of currency.]

appeal increased gradually as French and foreign ships, doing business in the colony, had to sell their cargoes and they did not find any in locally produced merchandise. Moreover, the colony's inhabitants, who after several years' stay, wished to enjoy in France the fruit of their farms or businesses, sought to get letters of exchange. They bought them at a loss, with their paper money which had become of no value or use to them.

Mr. [Sébastien-François-Ange] Le Normand, ordonnateur of this colony from 1744 to 1748, realized all the disadvantages of paper money and found the means to replace it with Spanish silver which was on deposit in this town, and for which he furnished letters of exchange on the general treasury. This expedient could not continue after he left, especially since it was temporary and each ship sustained a loss

of part of its funds.

I shall therefore take the liberty of proposing to Your Grace, for the advantage to this colony and for the King's interests, the one of two plans which may merit his approval. The first is, for this colony, in the king's name, to turn over every year to the Spaniards of Havana or Veracruz two million livres, for example, in letters of exchange drawn on the treasurers general for an equal sum which they would remit here in piastres gourdes with the reciprocal agreement of the two nations. The second is to procure every year, for the cash reserves of this colony, from Saint-Domingue and Martinique, approximately the same amount in silver in the currency of those two colonies, taking it from a share of the concessions or a share of the revenues from public property which these colonies must remit to France. This annual disbursement would not create as great a financial shortage as one might think, because the most important trade of Louisiana is with the islands of Saint-Domingue and Martinique, and their ships would bring back with them a part of the funds that those colonies would let us have. Furthermore, the treasurer of this colony could draw drafts or receipts on the collectors of taxes for concessions and the taxes from use of public property, for payment of goods bought from the ships for the king's account, as well as for value received from individuals who might travel from Louisiana to the aforementioned islands.

A memoir, dating from the year 1760, again takes up one of Kerlérec's ideas and stresses

the practicality there would be in having paper money fabricated with the imprint of the king's arms, which would be sent directly from France. It would not be permitted, except in the case of absolute necessity, to manufacture here treasury paper money certified by the signature of the *ordonnateur*. For the colony's needs, it would be necessary to issue 55,300 bonds for a total value of 4,000,000 livres, divided in the following way:

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LETTRE DE CHANGE SIGNEE DE FOUCAULT

Bills of exchange.



Card money.

The memoir adds,

The present bills of currency were introduced into the colony by Messrs. les ordonnateurs for lack of other currency to pay service expenses.

In earlier times, these bills were cashed in every year and were instantly converted into letters of exchange; but now, it is no longer the same. Everyone is suspicious of the bills,

1. because they are signed only by the ordonnateur and the comptroller, and because the ordonnateur and the comptroller who signed the first are no longer here:

2. because their successors increase the number of these bills by their own authority;

3. because they fix at will the dates of issue of the letters of exchange and give them only to their friends and their cronies;

4. because people suppose that none of these bills is authorized by His Majesty and fear, as in 1745, devaluation of their money.

... We observe further that there can be abuses in expenses and consumption which caused the number of bills to increase, and also in the number of letters of exchange which derive from them. If that is the case, the authorities must seek out and interrogate those who are guilty of this, and to punish them by making them pay. However, the public and the business people, bearers of this paper money, and who accepted it in good faith, like cash, can not, without injustice, be denied their payment.

However, not everybody was against paper currency. A certain Thomas Smith, an English trader, defended it, perhaps simply because he was gambling on its value.

The small amount of gold and silver that the Spanish bring to the colony is exchanged for paper currency; the paper, for merchandise. The merchandise goes to a foreign country (first advantage); the money, which is useless in the colony, passes on into France (second advantage). If the invention of paper money is admirable, if it is useful

in finance, advantageous in commerce, it is even more useful then than at the time that one has to draw up letters of exchange for the amount which is either assessed then or already established. Without this, the problem caused by uncertainty on such an important subject and the risks that are taken by the public in good faith removes all profits, thus bringing the price down to a very reasonable level.

It is certain that the time allowed to present the paper currency to the treasury, to convert it to letters of exchange, was almost always too short. It was often reduced to twenty days, and even to twelve.

These time periods were absolutely insufficient to allow the majority of merchants to collect their bills; only the *ordonnateur*'s friends, notified in advance, profited from them.

"To announce the drawing up [of the letters of exchange], they waited for the arrival of one of the king's warships, instead of setting definite and fixed dates."

Further, since the number of letters of exchange was always minimal, with respect to the paper currency in circulation, all those who were refused exchange for their paper money, were frustrated and could certainly suspect favoritism, but that was still not the most important disadvantage.

If fewer goods arrived in the king's supply houses, fewer old bills returned to the treasury, because of the reduced amount of sales. The less the merchants sold, the more they had to buy. Since there was no money coming in anymore, ³³ it became necessary constantly issue new paper money which accumulated in the public's hands. If, each year, the authorities had exchanged the entire amount, or at least half of the letters of exchange payable in France and in specie, there would have been no problem. However, the *ordonnateurs* knew from experience that all arrivals in France of letters of exchange, no matter how small the amounts, resulted in their being severely reprimanded. Further, the merchandise sent was not very well received and most often went unpaid. From this resulted the need to reduce the number of letters of exchange drawn up. However, the fewer letters delivered to the public, the more paper money was discredited and more of it had to be printed. It was a vicious circle.

^{33.} The taxes were minimal and the tariffs were drastically reduced by the war. To compensate partially for the deficit, Kerlérec proposed a tax of 6 livres on each slave, as well as the sale of certain buildings which were worthless and expensive to maintain.

The ministers said to the principal officials in Louisiana: Defend yourselves against the English; make the Indians rise up against them; try to keep alive, but do not let it cost us anything. They could also have added: If we do not send you any help, it is because we cannot spend anything on you. Consequently, we do not want your letters of exchange which would force us to pay here what we do not want to spend there. The result of this policy was that the uncertain reception in France of letters of exchange caused them to be discounted from ten to twenty percent.

Since France no longer sent either money or merchandise, while war tripled the colony's expenses, a continual issuance of paper money became indispensable.

We must praise Kerlérec for having taken the strict measures necessary to the colony's defense, but we must admit that Rochemore did not have the choice of means to execute them. When the minister reprimands him for having issued paper money, without his authorization, the reproach is unjust. Kerlérec thought he had issued too many of them; that is an evaluation, but it is quite difficult now to make a firm judgment on the question.

The governor's opposition to the issuance of paper money; the refusal of the *ordonnateur* to come to an agreement with him on the subject, the inhabitants' knowledge of the minister's anger-all that did not help to diminish the growing discredit of the bills.

Here is the amount of bills printed from 1748 to 1765, by the various ordonnateurs.

1. Michel		٠		۰	٠					715,062
2. Descloseaux			٠	٠				۰	.1	,319,000
3. Rochemore.							۰		.3	,505,266
4. Foucault									.1	,547,366
5. D'Abbadie .										618 294

One can see then that, in spite of the minister's anger, Rochemore's successors were also constrained to issue them.

CHAPTER VII

Kerlérec Is Recalled (1762-1763)

Landing of the Angoumois Regiment. Rochemore's dismissal. Recall of the compromised officers. Treaty of Fontainebleau. Abandonment of New Orleans. Treaty of Paris. Cession of Mobile and the Illinois Territory. Arrival of D'Abbadie; his instructions. Kerlérec's departure.

The great event for Louisiana in the year 1762 was the arrival of the ships Médée, Bien-Aimé, and Fortune which anchored on April 29 with a number of dispatches, troops and various merchandise. A fourth ship, Bien-Acquit¹ a slow ship, on which were Mr. [Jean-Jacques-Blaise] d'Abbadie, the new ordonnateur, and Mr. de Jumilhac, troop commander, was captured by the British.

In the colony, joy was great because, for four years, no ship of the crown, except the *Biche*, had entered the Mississippi River.

On board these ships were Mr. [marquis] de Frémeur with the general staff of the Angoumois Regiment and the companies, of which one was composed of grenadiers; they formed a total of more than 400 men. At departure, this regiment was completed with soldiers of the Bigonne Regiment, making 51 officers and 687 soldiers. From a document in the Archives of the [French] War Ministry, the rank of the soldiers aboard these ships is:

Fortune	 . 5 officers	 205 soldiers 80 soldiers161 soldiers
TOTAL	35 officers	446 soldiers

The Bien-Acquit carried 11 officers and 161 soldiers and the Ressource (?), 5 officers and 80 soldiers. What became of this last ship? Was it captured by

- 1. [Annotator's note: D'Abbadie is relying here upon Foucault's report to Choiseul. British records, however, suggest that the vessel was actually the Duc de Fronsac.]
- 2. [Annotator's note: For a short biography of D'Abbadie, see below, Chapter VIII.]

Letter of Exchange signed by Foucault:

Colonies

At New Orleans, the 5th of November 1763.

Louisiana

For -L 1000. --

Fiscal Year of 1763

Monsieur:

No. 109

Second

In six months from sight it will please you to pay against this second of exchange, the first one not having been paid, to the order of Monsieur de Bombelle, Naval Ensign, the sum of one thousand livres for value received from the said sieur in the same amount in old notes of this colony, in conformity with orders issued by Monsieur the Ordonnateur, for which sum I will render you account against expenses of this colony in the course of the present fiscal year of one thousand seven Hundred and Sixty Three.

I am, Monsieur,

To Monsieur

Treasurer-Ceneral

of the French Colonies

at Paris

Countersigned Your very humble by us, Commissioner Monsieur Baudard de Nauvesir of Marine, fulfilling and obedient the functions of ordonnateur. Servant in Louisiana in the absence of Monsieur D'abbadie E. DUTERRAU

D. N. FOUCAULT

No.

For 1 5000.

Colony

of Louisiana

Good for Five thousand livres on the Treasury, on account of lawful expenses of government, in conformity with the intentions of the King at New Orleans, the 176. .

Countersigned by us as Commissioner-Ordonnateur.



C6 \$20 ____18_: 1830s RWH
Cft. of the above.

VG VF Unc 65.00 — —



G8 \$50 ____18_: (1830s-40s) RWH

Proof 325.



G10 \$100 ____18_: 1830s-40s RWH

VG VF Unc 125. 200. —

Altered, Spurious and Unattributed Non-Genuine Notes



A5 \$5 ___18_: 1840 RWH&E, RW&H VG VF Und Altered from \$5, Commercial Bank of Enterprise, MS-70-G8. 75.00 125. —



A10 \$10 ___18_: ca.1840 RWH&E, RW&H VG VF Unc Altered from \$10 Commercial Bank of Enterprise, MS-70-G10. 85.00 140. __



A15 \$20 ____18_: ca.1840 RWH&E, RW&H

Altered from \$20 Commercial Bank of Enterprise,
MS-70-G12.

100. 175. -



A20 \$50 ___18_: ca.1840 RWH&E, RW&H VG VF Unc
Altered from \$50 Commercial Bank of Enterprise,
MS-70-G14. 100. 175. —

LA-40 CONSOLIDATED ASSOCIATION OF THE PLANTERS OF LOUISIANA, 1827-42+

Fate: taken over by the state and wound up over an extended period.

Genuine Notes, Raised Notes and Counterfeits



G2 \$5 ____18_: (late 1820s-30s) DP

Proof 300.





G4 \$5 ___18_: 1830s P&H Back: black.

VG VF Unc 250. 350. —

Proof

500.



\$10 ____18_: (late 1820s-30s) **Proof** G6 300 \$10 ____18_: 1830s P&H SENC NDA; similar to \$5, G4. G10 \$20 ____18_: (late 1820s-30s) DP SENC NDA; similar to \$50, G24.





G12 \$20 __18_: 1830s P&H VG VF Unc 200. 350.



\$50 ____18_: (late 1820s-30s) DP Proof Printed on white paper. 325. \$50 ____18_: (late 1830s) DP G14a SENC

As above, except printed on yellow paper.



\$100 ____18_: (late 1820s-30s) DP Proof Printed on white paper.

350.

orange).



G22a \$500 ____18_: late 1830s DP As above, except printed on rose-colored paper. **R5** _18_: late 1830s DP SENC Raised from \$50, G14a. Altered, Spurious and Unattributed Non-Genuine Notes \$50 ____18_: 1838 Unknown SENC

18: (late 1820s-30s) DP

CRESCENT CITY BANK, 1857-ca.62 LA-45

Fate: closed.

C: bank building.

Printed on white paper.

G22

I - FREE BANK ISSUE (1857-61)



18: 1850s RWH&E VG G2a \$5 Unc Tint: orange. Back: orange. 125. \$5 ____18_: late 1850s-60s RWH&E, G2b ABNCo. mono. SENC As above, except for imprint. G4a **SENC** \$10 ____18_: 1850s RWH&E Tint: orange script TEN. Back: orange. Same as G10b, except for imprint.



G4b \$10 ____18_: late 1850s-60s RWH&E, ABNCo. mono. VG As above, except for imprint. 125. 200 G6a \$20 ____18_: 1850s RWH&E SENC C: state die & 20; negroes picking cotton, one carrying basket. L: TWENTY/woman feeding chickens. R: 20/portrait of Martha Washington/TWENTY. BS: crescent. (Tint: orange). (Back: G8a \$50 ____18_: 1850s RWH&E SENC C: 50; two women std., flanking anvil. L: state die/girl/FIFTY. R: 50/men weighing cotton/FIFTY. BS: crescent. (Tint: orange). (Back:

G48

G46 \$100 ____18__: 1810s **MDF** NDA; similar to \$10, G24.

\$100 ____18_: 1810s W. Harrison
C: 100; eagle with sheaf & anchor; 100. L&R: oval female portrait/oval female portrait.



C48 \$100 ____18_: 1817-23 W. Harrison Cft. of the above. VG VF Unc 150. — —

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G50 \$100 ____18_: (1820s-?) FDU

Proof



G54 \$500 ____18_: (1820s) FDU

Proof 500.



G56 \$500 ____18_: (1830s-40s) DUB&S

Proof 500.

G60 \$1000 ____18_: 1820s FDU

NDA; similar to \$100 & 500, G50 and 54.

SENC



G62 \$1000 ____18_: (1830s-40s) DUB&S

Proof 600.

NDA

B. POST NOTE



G70 \$____18_: (1830s) DUB&S Proof
Denomination filled in by hand. 250.

Altered, Spurious and Unattributed Non-Genuine Notes

II - POST NOTES PAYABLE ON WHICH THE PLACE PAYABLE IS NOT FILLED IN

G72	\$518: (1830s)	DUB&S	Proof
	Design PN5A.		300.
G74	\$1018_: (1830s)	DUB&S	Proof
	Design PN10A.		300.
G76	\$2018_: (1830s)	DUB&S	Proof
	Design PN20A.		300.
G78	\$5018_: (1830s)	DUB&S	Proof
	Design PN50A.		325.
G80	\$10018_: (1830s)	DUB&S	Proof
	Design PN100A.		350.

LA-130 PLANTERS BANK, 1811-26

Fate: closed.



G8 \$5 ____18_: 1810s-20s W. Harrison VG VF Unc



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 W. Harrison
 SENC

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 G20
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 __18_: 1810s-20s
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G24 ____18_: 1810s-20s W. Harrison VG VF Unc 150. 250.

LA-135 BANK OF JAMES ROBB, 1857-59

Fate: became the Merchants Bank (2nd), New Orleans, LA-95.

G2 ____18_: 1857-58 RWH&E ۷F Unc C: woman std., leaning on cornucopia, ship in bkgd. L: 5/state die/FIVE. R: 5/oval female por-150. 25Ő.



G4 _18_: (1857-58) RWH&E

Proof 300.



G6 \$20 _18...: (1857-58) RWH&E

Proof 300.

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G6a

G8 \$50 ____18_: 1857-58 RWH&E C: 50; woman std., leaning on shield & holding spear, strongbox, barrels, etc., steamship in bkgd. L: state die/oval female portrait/FIFTY. R: FIFTY/Justice stdg.

\$100 ____18_: 1857-58 RWH&E SENC C: three women std., cherubs, wheel & anvil, ship in bkgd. L: 100/state die/100. R: 100/two

LA-140 SOUTHERN BANK, ca. 1854-79

Fate: closed.

women with staff.

G10

Genuine Notes, Raised Notes and Counterfeits



G2a \$5 _18_: (1850s) RWH&E Back (issued notes): red-brown.

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As above, except for imprint.

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Southern Bank/LOUISIANA



G4a __18__: (1850s) RWH&E Face Proof Back Proof Back (issued notes): red-brown.

G4b \$10 ____18_: 1850s RWH&E, ABNCo. mono.

As above, except for imprint.



____18_: (1850s) RWH&E Proof Back (issued notes): red-brown. 350.

G6b \$20 ____18_: late 1850s RWH&E, ABNCo. mono. SENC

G8a \$50 ____18_: 1850s RWH&E C: 50; Liberty reclining, partly draped in flag, globe

over left shoulder, eagle over rt., ships in bkgd. L: FIFTY/state die/two sea horses. R: 50/oval portrait of Washington/50. **BS**: cogwheels, bales, etc. Back (issued notes): red-brown.

G8h \$50 ____18_: late 1850s RWH&E, ABNCo. mono.

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\$100 ____18_: (1850s) RWH&E

C: woman reclining in front of shield, arm resting on strongbox, train, bales, factory & ship in left bkgd, two milkmaids & two cows in rt. bkgd. L: state die/oval male portrait/100. R: 100/Indian woman std. on rock with baby/100. BS: shield. Back (issued notes): red-brown.

Proof

MONNAIE DE CARTE.

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quoy voulant pourvoir, Elle a ordonné et ordonne ce qui suit :

(Suivent les art. I, II, III, IV et V, de même teneur que ceux de l'Ordonnance qui précède).

ORDONNANCE DU ROY

Pour une augmentation de 280,000 livres en monnoye de carte.

De Versailles, le 17 avril 1749.

(L'exposé des motifs et les articles de cette ordonnance sont les mêmes que ceux de l'ordonnance du 12 mai 1733).

ORDONNANCE

Pour la fabrication de 200 m. livres de monnoye de carte qui aura cours à la Louisianne.

Versailles, le 14 septembre 1735.

(Cartes de 20, 15, 10, 5 liv.; 1 liv. 10 sols, 1 liv. 5 sols, 12 sols 6 den, et 6 sols 3 den.).

Sa Majesté estant informée que les Espèces d'or et d'argent qu'Elle a fait porter à la Louisianne pour les dépenses de ceste Colonie depuis qu'Elle a accepté la rétrocession qui lui en a été faite par la Compagnie des Indes, ont repassé successivement en France, ce qui, en causant l'anéantissement du commerce intérieur de la Colonie, empesche l'accroissement de ses établissemens, et par une suite nécessaire, fait tomber le commerce extérieur de la Colonie. Elle a fait examiner les moyens de remédier à ces inconvéniens également préjudiciables au commerce du Royaume et à ses sujets de la Louisianne, et par le compte qu'Elle s'en est fait rendre, Elle a reconnu qu'il n'y en avoit point de plus convenables que l'établissement d'une monnoye de carte particulière qui auroit cours dans la Colonie, qui sera reçue dans les magasins de Sa Majesté en payement de la poudre et autres munitions et marchandises qui y seront vendues et pour laquelle il pourra être délivré des lettres de change sur le trésorier général de la Marine en exercice chaque année; Elle s'est déterminée d'autant plus volontiers à y établir cette monnoye qu'Elle est informée que les habitans de la Louisianne en souhaitent l'établissement et que d'ailleurs un pareil arrangement qui a été fait depuis quelques années en Canada où l'on éprouvoit les mesmes inconvéniens qui excitent l'attention de Sa Majesté par rapport à la Louisianne, y a produit les avantages qu'Elle se propose pour cette dernière Colonie en y procurant l'augmentation des établissemens et celle du commerce

intérieur et extérieur, et Sa Majesté voulant sur ce expliquer ses intentions, Elle a ordonné et ordonne ce qui suit :

Art. I°r. — Il sera fabriqué pour la somme de 200 m. liv. de monnoye de carte de 20 liv., de 15 liv., de 10 liv., de 5 liv., de 2 liv. 10°, de 1 liv. 5°, de 12° 6° et de 6° 3°, lesquelles cartes seront empreintes des armes de Sa Majesté et écrites et signées par le contrôleur de la Marine à la Nouvelle Orléans.

Art. II. — Les cartes de 20 liv., de 15 liv., de 10 liv., de 5 liv. et de 2 liv. 10⁸ seront aussi signées par le gouverneur de la Louisianne et par le commissaire ordonnateur.

Art. III. — Celles de 1 liv. 5°, de 12° 6d et de 6° 3d seront seulement paraphées par le commissaire ordonnateur.

Art. IV. — La fabrication desdites 200 m. liv. de monnoye de carte pourra être faite en plusieurs fois différentes, et il sera dressé pour chaque fabrication quatre procès verbaux, dont un sera remis au gouverneur, un autre au commissaire ordonnateur, le troisième sera déposé et enregistré au bureau du contrôle à la Nouvelle Orléans et le quatrième sera envoyé au secrétaire d'Etat ayant le département de la Marine.

Art. V. — Défend Sa Majesté aux gouverneur, commissaire ordonnateur et contrôleur, d'en écrire, signer et parapher pour une somme plus forte que celle de 200 m. liv., et à toutes personnes de contrefaire lesdites cartes, à peine d'être poursuivies comme faux monnoyeurs et punies comme tels.

Art. VI. — Veut Sa Majesté que la monnoye de carte faite en exécution de la présente ordonnance, ayt cours dans ladite Colonie pour la valeur écrite sur icelle et qu'elle soit reçue par les garde magasins établis dans ladite Colonie en payement de la poudre, munitions et marchandises qui seront vendues des magasins de Sa Majesté, ainsi que par le trésorier, pour le payement des lettres de change qu'il tirera sur les trésoriers généraux de la Marine chacun dans

l'année de son exercice, et dans tous les payemens généralement quelconques qui se feront dans la Colonie, de quelque espèce et de quelque nature qu'ils puissent être.

Mande et ordonne Sa Majesté aux S^{rs} de Bienville et Salmon, gouverneur et commissaire ordonnateur à la Louisianne, de tenir la main à l'exécution de la présente ordonnance, laquelle sera registrée au contrôle de la Marine à la Nouvelle Orléans.

Fait à Versailles, le quatorze septembre mil sept cent trente cinq. Signé: Louis. Et plus bas: Phelypeaux.

DECLARATION DU ROY

Concernant les monnoyes de cartes et les billets establis en Canada et à la Louisianne.

27 avril 1744.

LOUIS, PAR LA GRACE DE DIEU, ROY DE FRANCE ET DE NAVARRE, à tous ceux qui ces présentes verront, SALUT. Ayant été informé que les fonds que Nous faisions envoyer en espèces d'or et d'argent à la Louisianne pour le payement des dépenses qui s'y faisoient pour notre service repassoient successivement chaque année en France, en sorte que cette Colonie se trouvoit dénuée de tous alimens pour le commerce, Nous jugeames à propos par notre Ordonnance du 14 septembre 1735, d'y établir une monnoye particulière de cartes dont Nous fixames la quantité à 200 m. livres, et Nous nous déterminames d'autant plus volontiers à cet établissement que Nous sçavions qu'il étoit désiré par les habitans de la Louisianne. Pour assurer un juste crédit à cette monnoye, Nous jugeames qu'après avoir été distribuée pour le payement de nos dépenses, elle seroit reçue de même comme argent comptant, tant pour le prix des ventes qui se faisoient dans nos magasins que pour les lettres de change qui seront tirées sur les trésoriers généraux de la Marine par leurs commis à la Nouvelle Orléans; nos vues à cet égard se trouvèrent d'abord pleinement remplies, la monnoye de cartes acquit une confiance entière et elle l'auroit sans doute conservée sans les révolutions que la Louisianne a éprouvées; mais la guerre que cette Colonie a eû à soutenir contre quelques nations sauvages ayant occasionné des dépenses extraordinaires et imprévues, et les cartes qui rentroient dans la Caisse des trésoriers généraux au moyen des ventes qui se faisoient dans nos magazins et des lettres de change qui étaient tirées sur les trésoriers par leurs commis ne s'étant pas trouvées suffisantes pour le payement des dépenses, on a cherché à y suppléer

par des billets de ces commis qui ont été répandus dans le public; les billets ont été ensuite reçus comme les cartes et pour le prix des ventes de nos magasins et pour les lettres de change tirées sur les trésoriers généraux sans aucune différence; mais, soit qu'ils se soient trouvés trop multipliés ou autrement, ils sont tombés dans un discrédit où ils ont entraîné les cartes, et Nous avons été informé qu'au mois de novembre dernier, les uns et les autres perdoient jusqu'à deux cents pour cent sur l'argent comptant, et les lettres de change qui, par une suite nécessaire de ce discrédit, les marchandises et denrées de France, celles du crû du pays, les mains d'œuvre, et généralement toutes choses sont devenues d'une cherté excessive dans la Colonie et que cette cherté se fait principalement sentir sur les achats, les travaux et les fournitures qui s'y font pour notre commerce, quoy qu'on ait toujours continué de délivrer des lettres de change sur les trésoriers généraux de la Marine aux porteurs des cartes et des billets, sans aucune diminution ny déduction; c'est pour faire cesser ces inconvéniens également préjudiciables à nos finances, au bien de la Colonie et au progrès de son commerce que Nous avons jugé devoir faire retirer la totalité des cartes et des billets qui se trouvent répandus dans le public pour en supprimer le cours, en prenant d'ailleurs des mesures pour pourvoir aux fonds nécessaires pour le payement des dépenses que Nous ordonnons; mais comme il ne serait pas juste que Nous fissions le remboursement de ces cartes et billets au pays puisque les dépenses pour le payement desquelles ils ont été délivrés ont été portées à des prix proportionnés à ce discrédit, Nous avons résolu d'ordonner une diminution que Nous voulons cependant bien ne pas porter aussi loing que le discrédit. A ces causes et autres à ce Nous mouvant, de l'avis de notre Conseil et de notre certaine science, pleine puissance et autorité royale, Nous avons dit, déclaré et ordonné par ces présentes, disons, déclarons et ordonnons, voulons et nous plaît ce qui suit :

Art. Ier. — Tous ceux qui auront de la monnoye de cartes de la Louisianne ou des billets causés pour dépenses

de notre service des commis des trésoriers généraux de la Marine dans ladite Colonie, seront tenus de les rapporter à commencer du jour de l'enregistrement des présentes en notre Conseil supérieur séant à la Nouvelle Orléans audit commis qui en fera le remboursement à la réduction de 150 pour 100 en lettres de change qui seront par luy tirées sur le Sr Mousse de Georville, trésorier général de la Marine, auquel Nous ferons remettre les fonds nécessaires pour les acquitter à l'échéance.

II. — Lesdites lettres de change seront visées par l'ordonnateur de ladite Colonie, elles ne pourront être moindres que de la somme de cent livres, et elles seront payées à un an de date et cependant acceptées à leur présentation par ledit S^r Mousse de Georville.

III. — Toute la monnoye de cartes et tous les billets qui seront ainsy retirés, seront représentés audit commis au jour indiqué par l'ordonnateur, et après avoir été comptés et examinés, ils seront brulés en présence du gouverneur de ladite Colonie, de l'ordonnateur, du controlleur de la Marine et de ceux qui voudront s'y trouver, de quoy il sera dressé des procès verbaux qui seront signés par le gouverneur, l'ordonnateur, le controlleur de la Marine et ledit commis, et de chacun desdits procès verbaux qui seront dressés au bureau du controlle, il en sera fait deux expéditions, pareillement signées, dont l'une sera envoyée au secrétaire d'Etat ayant le département de la Marine pour nous en rendre compte, et l'autre remise au commis du trésorier.

IV. — Voulons que les cartes et billets qui ne seront pas rapportés dans l'espace de deux mois après ledit enregistrement des présentes audit commis, pour le remboursement en être fait ainsy qu'il est cy dessus ordonné, soient et demeurent de nulle valeur et qu'en conséquence ils n'ayent plus après ledit tems aucun cours dans le commerce ny dans les payemens, défendons de les y recevoir et audit commis de donner aucune lettre de change pour leur valeur et les déclarons tombés en pure perte à ceux

entre les mains de qui ils resteront sans qu'ils puissent prétendre aucune répétition en quelque sorte que ce soit :

SI DONNONS EN MANDEMENT à nos amés et féaux Conseillers en nos Conseils, les S^{rs} M^{is} de Beauharnois, gouverneur et notre lieutenant général, et Hocquart, intendant dans la Nouvelle France, aux S^{rs} Devaudreuil, gouverneur, et Lenormand, commissaire de la Marine, ordonnateur à la Louisianne, et aux officiers de notre Conseil supérieur à la Nouvelle Orléans, que ces présentes ils ayent à faire lire, publier et enregistrer, et le contenu en icelles garder, observer et exécuter selon leur forme et teneur, nonobstant tous édits, déclarations, arrêts, ordonnances, règlemens et autres choses à ce contraires auxquels nous avons dérogé et dérogeons par ces présentes; Car tel est notre plaisir. Donné à Versailles, le vingt septième jour du mois d'avril; l'an de grâce 1744 et de notre règne le vingt neuvième. Signé: Louis. Et plus bas:

Par le Roy: PHELYPEAUX.

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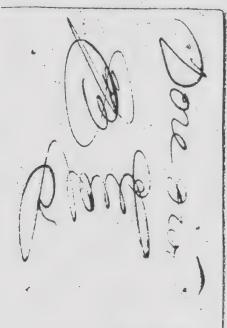


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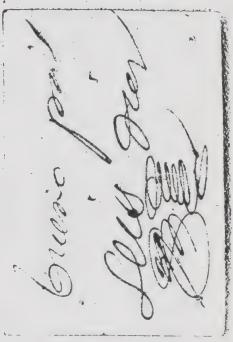


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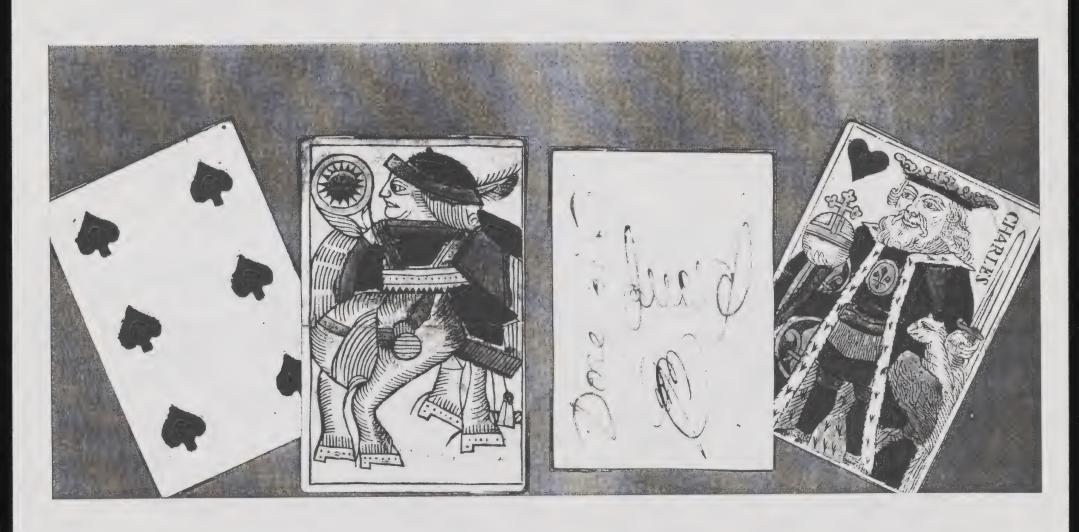
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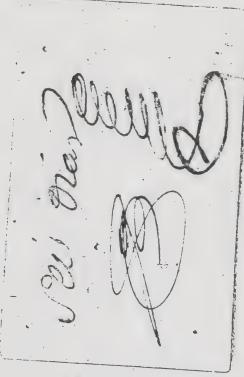
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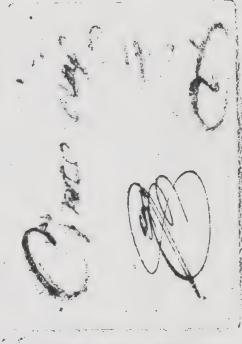
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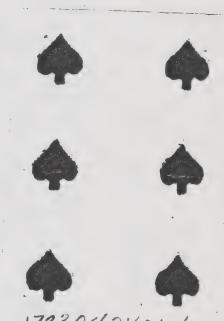
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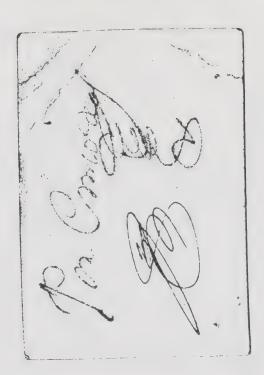
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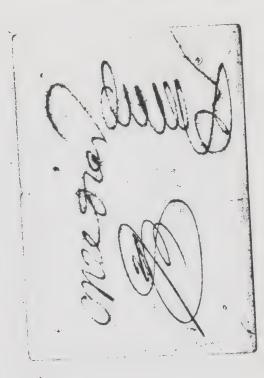


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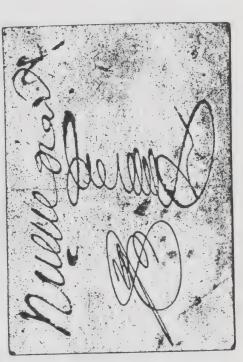
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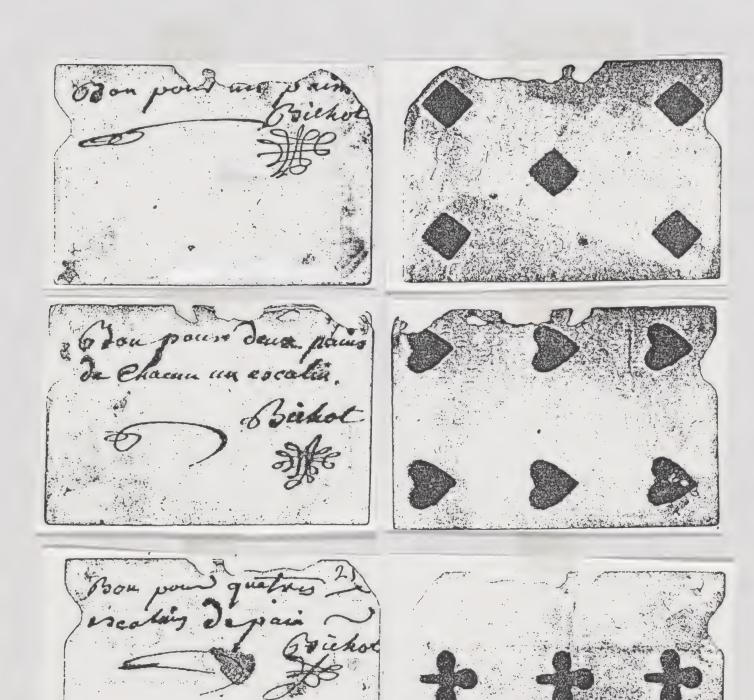


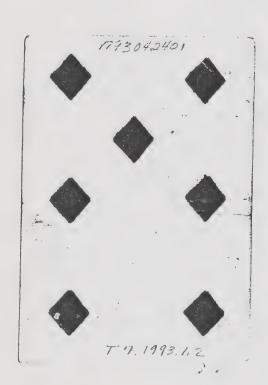


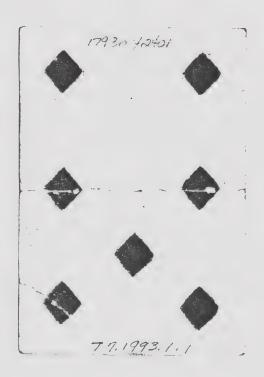


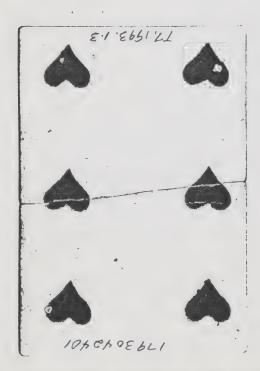


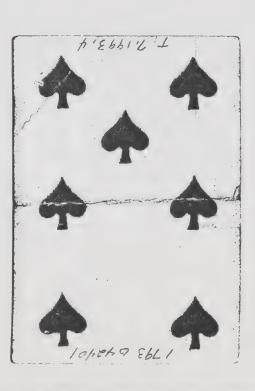
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